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Crime spree continues at Apartments

By Jennifer Harbin

Last week was no different than the previous weeks and months at the Duncan Garden Apartments with at least two more reports of vandalism and arson.

New resident, Melissa Garcia, 38, woke up to four flat

tires on her 2004 Ford Explorer Monday, January 7. She and her husband have only lived at the apartments for three weeks and this is the second act of vandalism against them. Only two weeks ago her husband's F250 pickup's tires were also "slashed".

"We're going to do what we can to crack down over there," said Maintenance Man Roy Muse.

According to Muse, the owner of the apartments will be informed soon of the most recent events that have occurred there.

Early Sunday morning around 1:20 a.m. deputies on duty discovered another dumpster fire while driving by the apartments and swiftly extinguished it.

Records obtained by the Floyd County Hesperian Beacon from the Floydada Police

Department that go back a year contain many reports ranging from various acts of criminal mischief all the way up to car fires. Fire Department reports note at least nine fires within the past month.

There are no new developments as of Tuesday from

the Police Department, but they continue to keep surveillance.

If any citizen has information that could help stop the escalating crime at the Duncan Garden Apartments, please call the Police Department at 806-983-2834.

SWEARING IN



Photo by Jennifer Harbin

Judge Penny Golightly swears in reelected officials Nathan Johnson (County Commissioner for Precinct 3), Mike Anderson (County Commissioner for Precinct 1), Lex Herrington (County Attorney), (not pictured) Paul Raissez (Floyd County Sheriff) and Delia Suarez (Tax Assessor Collector) at the Floyd County Courthouse.

Recent Donations Made by the Martha Ann Cogdell Trust

Connie Cogdell Clark, chairman of the board of the Martha Ann Cogdell Trust, announces that donations were recently made to the following entities: City of Turkey Ambulance Fund, City of Quitaque Ambulance Service, W J. Mangold Memorial Hospital, Caprock Hospital District Ambulance Fund, Hall County EMS Ambulance Service, City of Lockney Ambulance Fund, the City of Wayside Emergency Team, Silverton Voluntary Ambulance Service, and Texas Tech Foundation.

For many years the Martha Ann Cogdell Trust has purchased ambulances for various cities and hospital districts in this area, including the Caprock Hospital District Ambulance Fund, the City of Wayside Emer-

gency Team, the City of Claude Volunteer Ambulance Service, the City of Turkey Ambulance Fund, the City of Quitaque Ambulance Service, the Silverton Voluntary Ambulance Service, the City of Lockney Ambulance Fund, and the Motley County Ambulance Service.

In addition, many thousands of dollars have been made in annual gifts to these various ambulance services to assist in operation expenses. The Trust has also built clinics in Floydada, Lockney, and Silverton.

The members of the board of directors of the Martha Ann Cogdell Trust are Connie Cogdell Clark, Gaylon Clark, Bette Cogdell, Billy Rank Cogdell and Norma Birdwell.

Orange landfill coupons good only until Jan. 31

By Gary Brown

Beginning February 1, 2013, the City of Floydada will no longer be accepting the orange colored landfill tipping fee coupons. A green colored coupon will be required at the landfill.

City of Floydada utility customers may come to City Hall and ask for the new coupons beginning today. The new coupons will be good for use through 2013, at which time a new colored coupon will be issued.

Drives help replenish Salvation Army pantry, closets for winter

No one should be cold this winter. The Lockney Salvation Army gladly announces that their closets are full of coats and blankets after the various drives that took place in the community.

The Methodist and Baptist Men successfully collected about 150 children and adult jackets and coats to replenish the Salvation Army's closets after the fire.

The food drive managed to garner 4,000 canned

goods and distributed 85 sacks to the elderly.

A big thank you is due to the Boy Scouts for the canned food drive, the National Honor Society for helping the Salvation Army, as well as the Methodist and Baptist Men, EMS and Senior Citizens Center that helped make the event an overall success.

Anyone in need of a coat or blanket, contact Alicia Luna at the Salvation Army at 283-6452 or 652-3770.

Caprock Crop Production Conference scheduled for Jan. 24 at the Unity Center

By Ethan Fortenberry
CEA-Ag/NR

The Caprock Crop Production Conference is scheduled for Thursday, January 24, 2013 at the Floyd County Friends Unity Center located 6 miles west on Hwy 70 from Floydada and 4 miles east on Hwy 70 from Lockney. Registration begins at 7:00 a.m. The cost of the conference is \$35.00 (we will be accepting pre-registration until January 22) after this date a \$10 late fee will be added. Registration information can be received through the Floyd or Crosby County Extension offices.

Registration will include

lunch, 7 CEU's, conference cap, door prizes and program materials. Vista Bank has donated an iPad 2 to give away to one lucky attendee. The conference is open to all area producers as well as anyone interested in crop production. The conference will include a trade show with vendors displaying their latest products and equipment.

The 7 Continuing Education Units available by attending the conference will include 4 General, 1.5 IPM, 1 Laws & Regulation and .5 Drift Minimization. We are also approved for 6.5 Certified Crop Advisor credits for those interest-

ed.

The program is scheduled to begin at 8:00 a.m. Speakers will be: Dana Porter, TX A&M AgriLife Extension; Shawn Wade, Plains Cotton Growers; Caitlin Jackson, TX A&M AgriLife Extension; Calvin Trostle, TX A&M AgriLife Extension; Mark Kelley, TX A&M AgriLife Extension; Dustin Patman, TX A&M AgriLife Extension; Jason Woodard, TX Tech & TX A&M AgriLife Extension; Peter Do-tray, TX A&M AgriLife Extension; Ethan Fortenberry, TX A&M AgriLife Extension; Jay Yates, TX A&M AgriLife Extension; and Casey Summers, TX

Department of Agriculture. The conference will conclude at 4:00 pm with evaluations and CEU certificates.

If you need assistance or have questions please call the Crosby County Extension Office (675-2347) or the Floyd County Office (983-4912) as soon as possible to advise of auxiliary and/or services needed.

Extension programs serve people of all ages regardless of socio-economic level, race, color, sex, religion, disability or national origin. The Extension Office will seek to accommodate all persons with disabilities for the meeting.

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Floyd County Church Directory

AIKEN BAPTIST CHURCH

Dennis Butler, Pastor
Morning Worship ..11:00 a.m.

BIBLE BAPTIST CHURCH

810 S. 3rd, Floydada
Darwin Robinson, Pastor
983-5278
Sunday School10:00 a.m.
Morning Worship ..10:50 a.m.
Evening Worship6:00 p.m.
Wednesday.....7:00 p.m.

CALVARY'S CORNERSTONE FELLOWSHIP

Floydada
Armando Morales, Pastor
Sunday School9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship ..11:00 a.m.
Bible Study6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Evening 7:00 p.m.

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Morning Worship ..10:30 a.m.
Afternoon Worship ..1:30 p.m.
Wednesday Service 7:30 p.m.

CITY PARK

CHURCH OF CHRIST
Levi Sisemore, Minister
Ivan Gomez, Minister
Floydada
Sunday Bible Study..9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship ..10:30 a.m.
Evening Worship6:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study.....7:00 p.m.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Tim Franks, Pastor
Terry Simmons,
Minister of Ed./Music
Josh Burgett - Min. Students
Sunday School9:15 a.m.
Morning Worship ..10:30 a.m.
Evening Worship6:00 p.m.
Wed. Bible Study....6:30 p.m.

FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH

Jonathan Sullivan, Pastor
Chad Cook, Youth Min.
Phil Cotham, Music Min.
Sunday School 9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship10:45 a.m.
Evening Worship6:00 p.m.
Wednesday.....6:30 p.m.
Wednesday (Youth) ..7:15 p.m.

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Morning Worship9:30 a.m.
Sunday School.....10:50 a.m.
Youth (Sunday).....5:00 p.m.
Youth (Wednesday)..6:30 p.m.

FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH

Lockney
Rev. Ricky Carstensen
Pastor
Sunday School9:30 a.m.
Worship Service10:30 a.m.
Evening Service.....6:00 p.m.
Wed. Jr. High5:30 p.m.
Wed. High School...6:30 p.m.

GRANT CHAPEL CHURCH

OF GOD IN CHRIST
Joe Bennett, Pastor
Sunday School10:00 a.m.
Morning Worship ...11:00 a.m.
Evening Service.....7:30 p.m.
Tuesday.....8:00 p.m.
Wed. Service7:30 p.m.

MAIN STREET CHURCH OF CHRIST

Lockney
Beau A. Hart, Minister
Bible Study9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship ..10:30 a.m.
Evening Worship ...6:00 p.m.
Wednesday.....7:30 p.m.

MT. ZION BAPTIST CHURCH

Floydada
Rev. Timothy Askew
401 N 12th St (983-5805)
Sunday School10:00 a.m.
Morning Worship ..11:00 a.m.
Evening Worship6:00 p.m.
Wednesday Study ..7:00 p.m.

NEW SALEM PRIMITIVE BAPTIST CHURCH

Floydada
Pastor Elder Ronnie Hedges
(806) 637-0430
Sunday Singing10:30 a.m.
Morning Worship ..11:00 a.m.

OUT REACH HARVEST

PENTECOSTAL CHURCH
Floydada
Rev. David Ramos, Pastor
Ester Ramos, Praise Leader
Sunday Bible...10:00 a.m.
Morning Praise...11:00 a.m.
Evening Praise5:00 p.m.
Wed. Worship....7:00 p.m.

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Sunday Bible...10:00 a.m.
Morning Praise...11:00 a.m.
Evening Praise5:00 p.m.
Wed. Worship....7:00 p.m.

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Wed. Worship....7:00 p.m.

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Sunday Bible...10:00 a.m.
Morning Praise...11:00 a.m.
Evening Praise5:00 p.m.
Wed. Worship....7:00 p.m.

POWER OF PRAISE FULL GOSPEL CHURCH

Rev. Manuel Rendon, Pastor
704 N. Main, Lockney
Sunday Services.....10:00 a.m.
Sunday Evening5:00 p.m.
Wednesday.....7:30 p.m.

PRIMERA IGLESIA BAUTISTA

Lockney
Jesus Caballero, Pastor
Sunday School9:45 a.m.
Worship Service11:00 a.m.
Discipleship5:00 p.m.
Wed. Service7:00 p.m.

PRIMERA IGLESIA BAUTISTA

Floydada
Rev. Toby Gonzales
Sunday School 9:30 a.m.
Morning Worship ..10:40 a.m.
Evening Worship ...6:00 p.m.
Wed. Evening7:00 p.m.

SAN JOSE CATHOLIC CHURCH

Lockney
Jim McCartney, Pastor
Wed. Communion.....8:00 p.m.
Sunday Mass.....11:30 a.m.

SOUTH PLAINS BAPTIST CHURCH

Joe Weldon, Pastor
Sunday School10:00 a.m.
Morning Worship ...11:00 a.m.
Prayer Meeting.....7:00 p.m.

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..... Sunday School
English.....9:45 a.m.
Spanish.....11:00 a.m.
Spanish Worship.....9:30 a.m.
English Worship.....11:00 a.m.
Evening Service.....5:00 p.m.
Wednesday.....7:00 p.m.

ST. MARY MAGDALEN CATHOLIC CHURCH

Floydada
Rev. Angelo Consemio
Phone: 983-5878
Sunday Mass.....11:30 a.m.
Mon. Wed. Mass.....6:30 p.m.
Confession Sat.....10-11 a.m.

TEMPLO BAUTISTA SALEM

Lockney
Rev. Joe Hernandez
Sun. Prayer Service 9:30 a.m.
Sunday School9:45 p.m.
Worship Service11:00 a.m.
Evening Worship ...6:00 p.m.
Wed. Meeting7:00 p.m.

TEMPLO BETHEL SPANISH ASSEMBLY OF GOD

Washington and 1st St.
Sunday School9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship ..11:00 a.m.
Evening Worship5:00 p.m.
Wed. Service7:00 p.m.

TEMPLO NUEVA VIDA

Rev. Herman Martinez
308 W. Tennessee, Floydada
Sunday School10:00 a.m.
Evening Worship5:00 p.m.
Tuesday.....7:30 p.m.
Thursday Service.....7:30 p.m.

TRINITY ASSEMBLY

500 W. Houston
Henry Russell, Co-Pastor
Vance Mitchell, Co-Pastor
983-5499 or 983-2887
Sunday School9:45 a.m.
Morning Worship ..10:40 a.m.
Sunday Evening6:00 p.m.

TRINITY LUTHERAN CHURCH

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on FM 2301 293-3009
Rev. Peter W. Harrington Minister
Sunday School9:45 a.m.
Worship Service11:00 a.m.

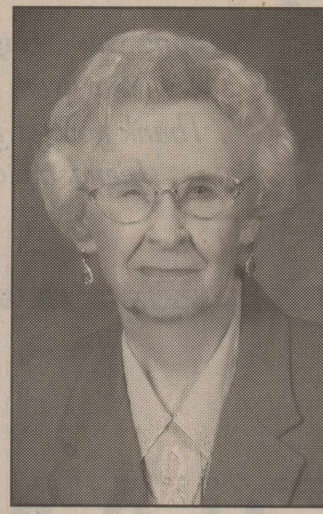
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Sunday Evening5:00 p.m.

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OBITUARIES



EUNA BRADFORD
Euna Bradford, age 87, passed away Saturday, December 29, 2012.

Services were held at 2 p.m. Saturday, January 5, 2013 at the First Baptist Church in Floydada. Pastor Tim Franks officiated.

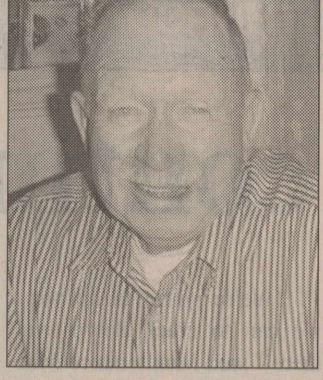
Interment followed at the Floyd County Memorial Park in Floydada. Arrangements were under the direction of Moore-Rose Funeral Home in Floydada.

Euna was born in Floydada, Texas, September 26, 1925. In 1945 she married Floyd Bradford. They spent their lives together farming near Baker community and had two sons, Conley and Danny.

Floyd and Euna were

members of the First Baptist Church of Floydada. For entertainment, they enjoyed square dancing and playing dominos with friends. Euna is also survived by four grandchildren and five great-grandchildren. She will always be remembered for her warm smile, love for her family and devotion to her church. She was totally dedicated to caring for Floyd during his final years of illness.

Euna will surely be missed by everyone whose lives she touched. May she rest in the arms of God forever.



DAVID JACKSON
David Jackson, age 89, of Lockney passed away Sunday, December 30, 2012.

Funeral services were held at 2 p.m. Wednesday, January 2, 2013 at the West College and 3rd Street Church of Christ in Lock-

ney. Earl McDonough and Kyle Brock officiated.

Interment followed at the Lockney Cemetery. Arrangements were under the care of Moore-Rose Funeral Home of Lockney.

David was born October 29, 1923 to Joe and Bessie (Kyle) Jackson in Roady, Oklahoma. Most people knew David by his work and his size. He was a big, strong cowboy who worked hard helping people with their cattle. He owned and operated Jackson Drilling and drilled wells all over the area. His work defined him since childhood and he passed that ethic on to his children. His faith was

important to him and he will be remembered for his Christian values.

David is preceded in death by his parents, a son, Tim Diepenhorst, and a grandson, Clint Jackson.

He is survived by his wife, Bettye of the home; three sons, David R. Jackson of Lubbock, Donnie Jackson and wife, Judy and Chad Diepenhorst and Susan, both of Lockney; a daughter, Jolie Diepenhorst Davis and husband, Tyson of Golden, Colorado. Also surviving is his brother, Kenneth and wife, Bettye of Lockney; 9 grandchildren, 15 great-grandchildren and 5 great-great-grandchildren.

DARLENE LACKEY

Darlene Lackey, age 75, of Floydada, passed away on Friday, January 4, 2013.

Funeral services were held at 2 p.m. Monday, January 7, 2013 at the Estacado Cemetery. Pastor Rance Young officiated.

Services were under the direction of Moore-Rose Funeral Home in Floydada.

Barbara Darlene Bryant was born in Lubbock, Texas, September 30, 1937 to Olin Maurice Bryant and Georgia Lee Assiter.

Darlene will surely be missed by everyone whose lives she touched.

She was preceded in death by her parents and a son, Bradley Fulton in March of 1994.

Darlene is survived by her husband, Greer Lackey of Floydada; her son, Billy Fulton and wife, Sharron of Lubbock; her daughter, Brenda Yeary and husband, Rex of Quitaque; her sons, W.E. Lackey and Troy Lackey; her brother, Buckles Bryant; her six grandchildren and five great-grandchildren and many dear friends.



THELMA WILLIAM
Thelma LaVeta William of Lubbock passed away on Friday, December 28, 2012 at the age of 95.

She was born August 13, 1917 in Hammond, Oklahoma to Dee and Myrtle Williams. They later made their home in Lockney.

She is survived by her

sister, Alta (V.A.) Trussell of Mansfield, Texas; three sister-in-laws, Mary (Vernon) Williams of Lubbock, Ruth (Clifton) Williams of Germantown, Maryland and Nina (David) Teuton of Lockney; eight niece, Beth Cheatwood and Sheila Hayden, both of Bakersfield, California, Rita Claudette Martonrano of Salido, California, Jeannette Smith of Germantown, Maryland, Carolyn Young of Lubbock, Pat Oanes of Leesburg, Florida, Donna Daniel of Arlington, Texas and Rhea Stansell of Lubbock; and five nephews, Weldon Jones of Hale Center, Don Williams of Mayflower, Arkansas, Bruce Williams of Lubbock, Dee Trussell of New Canaan, Connecticut

cut and James Trussell of Mansfield.

Thelma was preceded in death by her parents, a sister, Irene Sinclair and six brothers, Lowell, Vernon, Calvin, Glenn, Davis and Clifton Williams.

Viewing was held from 9 - 11 a.m. on Wednesday, January 2, 2013 at the Combest Family Funeral Home in Lubbock.

Graveside services were held at 2 p.m. at the Lockney Cemetery.

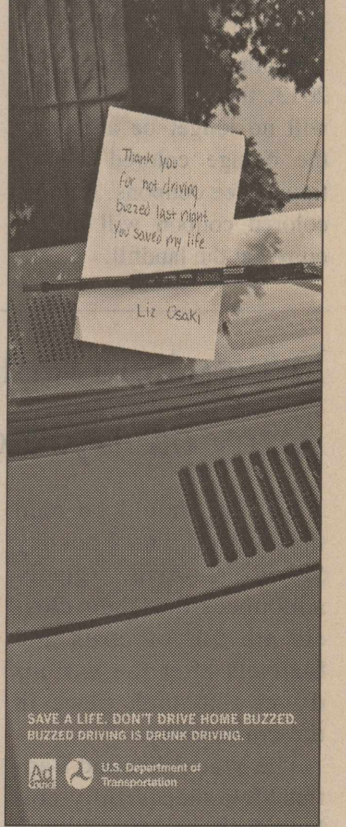
Memorial donations may be made to Accolade Hospice, 5201 Indiana Avenue, #200, Lubbock, Texas 79413.

Please celebrate the life of Thelma by viewing www.combestfamilyfuneralhomes.com

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LIFESTYLES

Business of the Month



Photo by Jennifer Harbin

(left to right) Lindan Morris, Archie Jones, Paul Marmolejo and Robert Armstrong. Lockney Chamber of Commerce President Archie Jones presents Floyd County Farm & Ranch owner Lindan Morris with the "Business of the Month" certificate. Morris commented that "we have some of the best customers in Floyd County."

First National Bank makes donation



Courtesy photo

Amanda Hinsley, Chief Financial Officer presents a check in the amount of \$5000.00 from First National Bank of Floydada to Beverly Collins, Executive Director of Kids Korner.

FLOYDADA SENIOR CITIZENS NEWS

By Margaret Jones

Another NEW YEAR has arrived and with it the hint of moisture is a welcomed sight. Blessing on us abound in numerous ways, revealing God's mercy to us, if only we will pause to bask in it as we go our merry way. May you be blessed with good health, close family, kind friends, love and laughter. May you make a determined effort to be kinder and more compassionate so that you can help the world become a better place in which to live. As we enter the new year of 2013 allow me to share with a piece entitled "Golden Rules for Living", by Miriam Hamilton Keare.

- leave it alone.
12. If it's none of your business, don't ask questions.

RECIPE OF THE WEEK

BROCCOLI CHEESE SOUP

- 1 pkg. frozen broccoli
- 2-1/2 cups Velveeta cheese
- 1 cup heavy cream
- 1/2 tsp. salt
- 2-1/2 cups milk
- 1/3 cup flour
- 1 cube chicken bullion
- 1/2 tsp. ground black pepper.

Place broccoli in a medium sauce pan with just enough water to cover. Cook until tender, about 8 minutes. Set aside and do not drain water. In a large sauce pan, heat milk. Blend in the flour and cheese until smooth. Stir in the cream and bullion cube. Add the broccoli and it's water to the mixture and season with salt and pepper. Heat soup to warm and serve immediately.

Thought for the Week – God's gift to you – 365 days. Use it well!!!!

MEMORIALS

By Margarette Word

The Center appreciates you remembering us when you need to make a memorial donation. Our mailing address is P.O. Box 573, Floydada, Tx. 79235

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In memory of **William Bertrand** – Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Guffee

In memory of **L. B. Stewart** – Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Guffee

In memory of **Ken Cockrell** – Louis and Virginia Pyle

In memory of **Trudi Gilly** – Louis and Virginia Pyle

In memory of **Euna Bradford** – Wilma Colston

MENU

Jan. 14 – Jan. 18

Monday – Crispy chicken on bun, tomato & lettuce, mayonnaise, potato wedges, carrot & raisin salad, fruit cocktail, low fat milk

Tuesday – Sloppy Joe on bun, country potato salad, carrot & zucchini, creamy fruit square, low fat milk

Wednesday – Fried fish, beans, coleslaw, cornbread, peach chantilly, low fat milk

Thursday – Homemade turkey pot pie, whole wheat bread, margarine, seasoned corn, tossed salad w/dressing, ambrosia, low fat milk

Friday – BBQ chicken filet, baked potato w/sour cream, whole wheat roll, margarine, mixed vegetables, mandarin oranges, low fat milk

Dixie Divas Be sweet

When I was growing up — probably well into my college years — Mama's last words as I walked out the door were always the same.



RONDA RICH

along the way, though, she gave that up. Perhaps because she decided I would never be sweet, or perhaps she thought I had finally learned it well enough. But, truthfully, I think it was because she finally switched to "love you" as I left.

It was embarrassing when my date and I stuck our heads in the den door to say good-bye before we left for the evening and Mama, normally hemming a garment, would chime happily, "Y'all be sweet. Y'all hear me?"

I'd roll my eyes and sigh heavily — that age-old teenage favorite — and moan, "Yes, Mama."

My boyfriend, always well-mannered, would cheerfully reply, "Yes, ma'am. You can count on me, and I'll make sure she is, too."

Not long ago I made a perfectly witty, private one-line observation about someone and

entertained myself so deliciously that I threw back my head and laughed. My sister, tempted to snicker, bit the edge of her lip, tossed me an amused look and said, "Now, be sweet."

To be honest, I never thought much about it until recent years as the talk of bullying and mean kids has become so prominent. Are there really that many mean kids out there now? Kids who taunt and criticize? If they are, it's because they aren't taught better at home.

I was reading a book about the actress Farrah Fawcett by her longtime love, Ryan O'Neal. In the book, he had included a handwritten note from the well-mannered, Texas-born Miss Fawcett to their son, Redmond. He was a young boy at the time so she was reminding him to do his spelling homework and a couple of other things about school. She ended the note with, "Be good and be kind."

Kindness.
Sweetness.

Though harder to find these days, those teachings begin at home, along with manners. In our family, teaching kindness to the children is as important as saying "Yes, ma'am" or "No, sir."

When I was a child, no more than 7 or 8, Mama got a call from my teacher who explained I had been going without

lunch for a few weeks, choosing, instead, to buy lunch for a poor, half-starved classmate (in the days before free lunches). The next morning and all the days that followed until the girl

moved away, Daddy gave me enough for two lunches. I wasn't complimented. I had simply done what was taught and therefore expected.

My nephew Rod was 4 and spoke in that endearing way of children who mix up consonants. In his preschool class was a pretty, blonde girl who was severely challenged, physically and mentally. She walked with great difficulty, couldn't communicate and drooled poured in a steady stream from the corner of her mouth.

One day at recess, several children mocked her, saying, "No! You can't play with us." She crumbled in tears, sobbing at the unkindness. The teacher watched as Rod, gentle and sweet always (as is the man he grew to be), walked over to her, put his little arm around her shoulders and said comfortingly, "Don't twry Ashwey. Me will play with you."

A mother approached my niece Nicole one day at carpool and said, "Let me tell you about your son." Nicole froze a bit, not knowing what was coming. The mother, who began to cry, explained her son is autistic and faced daily taunting and jeering by classmates. Every day, he came home sobbing, heartbroken. One day he stopped crying suddenly and smiled brightly. "But I do have one friend. Nix. He's my angel sent from God. He always takes up for me."

Be sweet. What a powerful parental teaching.

Ronda Rich is a Southern humorist, storyteller and best-selling author. Her latest book, "There's A Better Day A-Comin'," is available at rondarich.com

Lockney Senior Citizen News

By Renee Armstrong

Happy New Year from the Senior Citizen Center! We hope you all had a great holiday and now to get back into the normal routine.

We are in need of a volunteer to put together the year book. If you would do this, please get in touch with Gene Brotherton as soon as possible.

Our sympathy goes out to the families of Joy Reeves and David Jackson during

their time of loss. Memorial donations have been made in memory of Virginia Sissney, Judy Wofford, Algene Barker, Joy Reeves, David Jackson, Trudi Gilly. Thank you all for remembering the Center.

Remember the Pot Luck on Thursday night at 6 p.m. Bring a dish and enjoy games after dinner.

Exercise with Dorothy on Monday, Wednesday and Friday from nine to 9:30 a.m.

Coffee time from 9:30 to 10:30 a.m. Monday through Saturday.

Lockney Senior Citizen Center Menu January 14 - 18

Monday: Ham

Tuesday: Hamburger Steak

Wednesday: Chicken Fried Steak

Thursday: Chicken and Dumplings

Friday: Fish

MAN ON THE STREET

2013: What is your New Year's Resolution?

"To get back with my walk with Christ" Marisela Gonzales, Floydada

"Maintain our health" Jr. and Gene Brotherton, Lockney

"To have a crime-free community" Police Chief Darrell Gooch, Floydada

"Get my house cleaned up" Laura Turner, Floydada

"To have a healthy and happy year" Jr. and Gene Brotherton, Lockney

"I intend to treat my future daughter-in-law like she is my daughter" Lindan Morris, Lockney

"Put peoples' faces with the box numbers" Colleen Baxter, Lockney Post Office

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THIS WEEK'S

FLOYDADA HIGH SCHOOL CLASS OF 1963

The Floydada High School Class of 1963 is planning their 50th class reunion for next summer. Anyone with information on these following classmates please contact James Elza at 806-420-0295 or email him at JDEinAma@hotmail.com

Needing info on:
Billy Daniel, Larry Fagan, Linda Lackey, Carolyn Going Martin,

Bill McCown, Kendoll Reed, Sigurd Waage (Norwegian exchange student).

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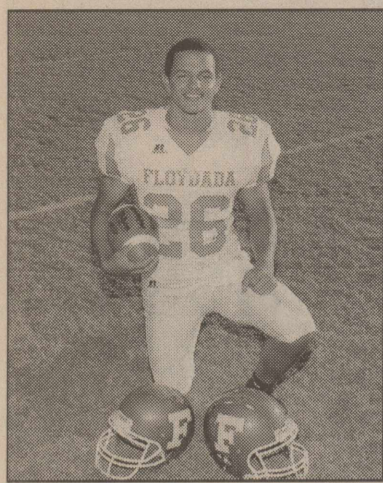
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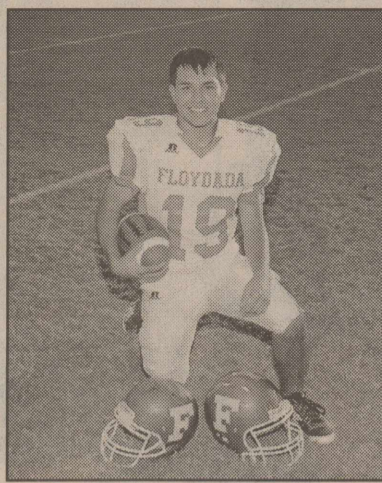
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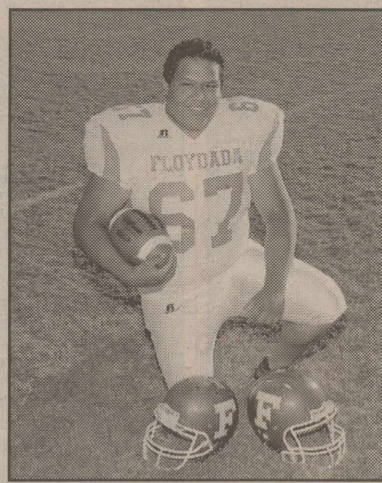
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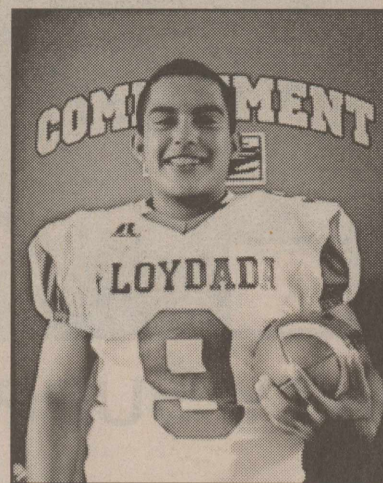
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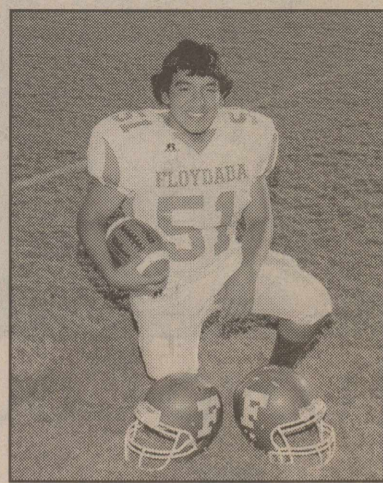
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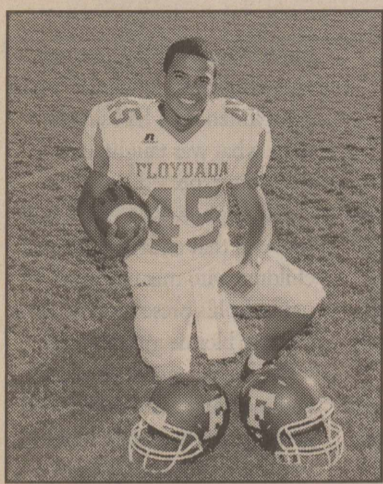
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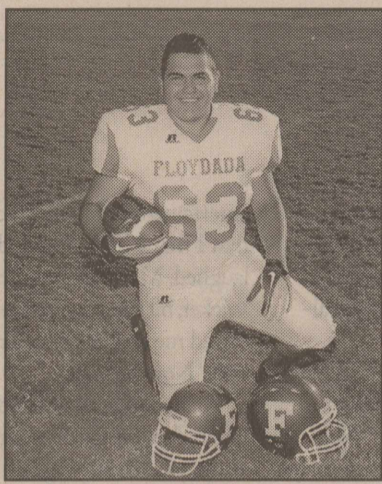
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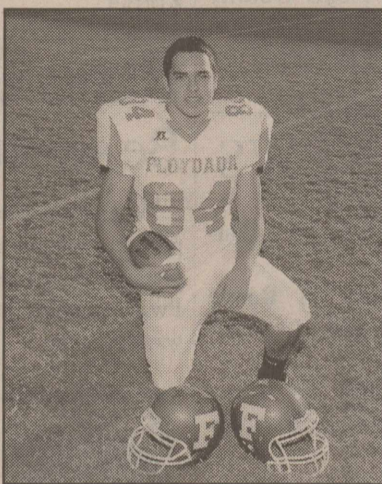
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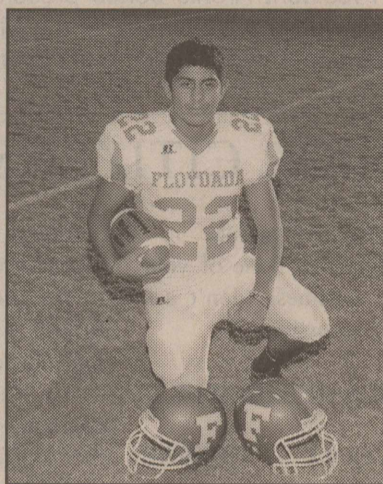
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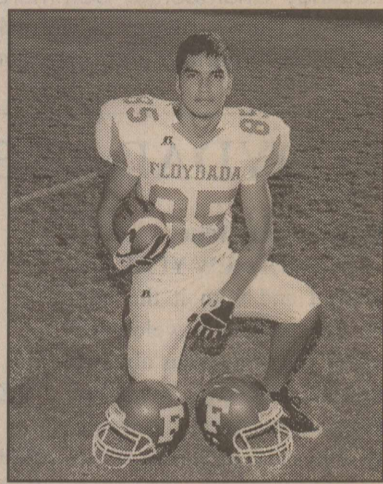
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RYAN CHAVARRIA
ALL-DISTRICT
HONORABLE MENTION
OUTSIDE LINEBACKER



VENTURO GONZALES
ALL-DISTRICT
HONORABLE MENTION
DEFENSIVE END

Whirlwinds capture two wins against Crosbyton Chiefs and Lockney Longhorns

By Coach Renfro

The Floydada Whirlwinds picked up two non-district wins this past week against Crosbyton and Lockney. Against Crosbyton, the Winds used a 21-point surge in the second quarter to pull away from the Chieftains en route to a 66-42 victory.

Michael Cisneros led the Whirlwind charge with 12 points and 4 steals. Landry Morren and Jordan Woody each put in 11 points and each nabbed 4

steals. Woody also had 4 assists. Tyler Renfro also hit double figures in scoring with 10 points and 6 rebounds. Venturo Gonzales had 8 points to go with 7 rebounds, DeAndre McCann put in 7 points and B.J. Perez added 5. Tucker Lowrance rounded out the scoring with 2.

The Winds picked up a 62-24 victory over the Lockney Longhorns behind one of their stronger defensive performances of

the year. The Winds held the Horns to only 7 first half points, building a 28-7 halftime lead.

The Winds were paced in scoring by Renfro with 16 points and 6 rebounds. Woody put in 15 points, had 6 steals, and passed out 5 assists. Morren and McCann added 7 points each, Gonzales put in 4, while Sean Morales, Lowrance, and Cisneros each contributed 3. R.J. Gomez and Perez each put in 2.

SOUTH PLAINS HOBBY CLUB NEWS

By Sandra Lass

Christmas was definitely in the air at the South Plains Hobby Club Christmas party held at the South Plains Baptist Church on December 12, 2012. Members present included Char Baker, Kay Gilbert, Helen Teeple, Mary Lou Zinck, Nancy Marble, Elaine Galloway, Janis Julian, Margaret Kitchens, Carolyn Marble, Brenda Walls, Betty Deavenport, Wanda "Boo Boo" Lane, Margie Young, Virginia Taylor, Lou Burleson and Sandra Lass.

It was very windy that day and the ladies literally blew in with arms loaded with packages, favors and food. Most needed to make more than one trip and someone had to hold the door open while another waited to take what needed to go downstairs into the fellowship room. Fortunately, there's a ramp, but some of us required one unencumbered hand to hold on to the rail. We all greeted one another and admired the room's Christmas decorations. Janis had placed on each round table a small church in the center surrounded by a pine branch wreath with a large silver bow, red Christmas tree balls and a crystal candle holder. She had put other greenery on the ramp rail as well as at various other places. It was very beautiful and festive. Those who brought favors placed them on the tables. These included sprigs of mistletoe with a red rib-

bon, (Virginia), crock pot fudge in a baggy and tied with a ribbon with a small red ball (Margie), crocheted and starched white snowflakes (Betty), small red glass candle holders (Nancy), and gold and clear spiral icicles (Janis).

Janis asked us to gather into a circle and while holding hands Mary Lou gave the Blessing. By the end of the Blessing the wonderful aroma of food began to permeate the room and Hostesses Virginia and "Boo Boo" invited us to fill our plates. As with past Hobby Club Christmas parties, no two women brought the same dish and there was a nice assortment of chips and dips, salads, casseroles and desserts. Virginia and Boo Boo had made coffee (decaf and regular) as well as hot and iced tea. We were ready to serve ourselves and enjoy our meal.

Afterwards, Janis read "One Wintery Night" by Ruth Bell Graham. It is a Christmas story about Bethlehem as seen through the eyes of two children on the night Jesus was born. The two children said that many had come to Bethlehem to pay taxes and that Roman soldiers were there as well. They also said that they saw Joseph and Mary and that Mary smiled at them. Their descriptions about what they saw made us feel as if we were there too and could clearly see and feel what they saw and felt as well. Brenda read an excerpt from "On Religion" by Kahlil Gibran. Janis reported that Joy Smitherman was moving to Lubbock and asked us to sign the card that she had brought to send to Joy.

For the past ten years or so we had brought gifts to exchange with one another, but this year Hobby Club members contributed money for Hospice Hands

of West Texas. Helen Teeple, RN and a Hobby Club member collected the money and said that she would see that the Hospice received it.

Janis said that instead of the gift exchange game, we would take the Christmas Song Quiz. She asked us to assemble ourselves into groups of three or four people and for each group to separate itself from the other groups as much as possible. She then asked that each group appoint a recorder to whom Janis would give a list of definitions for 28 Christmas songs. Each group was to discuss among themselves what the song titles were as quietly as possible and the group that got the most titles correct would win. For the next few minutes all that could be heard were whispers and humming. It seemed that many recognized the songs but couldn't think of the titles! After the allotted time period Janis asked the groups to stop and then read each of the definitions. Most of the groups got most of the song titles, but there were a few that none of them got. There was really no group that got more than any other.

Here are some of the definitions. See if you can "Name That Tune!" (Answers next time)

1. The apartment of two psychiatrists.
 2. The lad is a diminutive percussionist.
 3. Decorate the entry ways.
 4. Sir Lancelot with laryngitis.
 5. Stepping on the pad cover.
 6. Monarchical triad.
 7. Frozen precipitation commence!
 8. Oh, member of the round table with missing areas.
- Happy New Year!

FLOYDADA SCHOOL MENU January 14 - January 18

Monday
Breakfast- Scrambled eggs, toast and jelly or cereal and graham crackers, juice, milk
Lunch- Corn dog, baked beans, tomato & cucumber cup, Apple-pineapple D'lite, milk

Tuesday
Breakfast- Mini banana loaf or cereal and graham

crackers, juice, milk
Lunch- Nacho Grande, refried beans, garden salad, orange smiles, chocolate chip cookies, milk

Wednesday
Breakfast- Pancakes/syrup or cereal and graham crackers, juice, milk
Lunch- Chicken sandwich, oven fries, fresh veggie cup, fruity gelatin, milk

Thursday
Breakfast- Oatmeal and cinnamon toast or cereal and graham crackers, juice, milk
Lunch- Beefy macaroni, garden salad, baby carrots, fresh grapes, breadsticks, milk

Friday
Breakfast- Breakfast burrito or cereal and graham crackers, juice, milk
Lunch- Pepperoni or cheese pizza, crunchy broccoli salad, seasoned corn, fresh fruit bowl, milk

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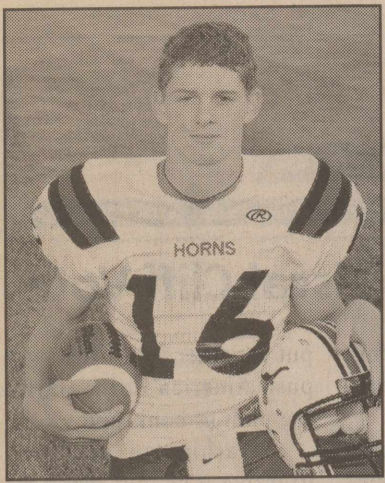
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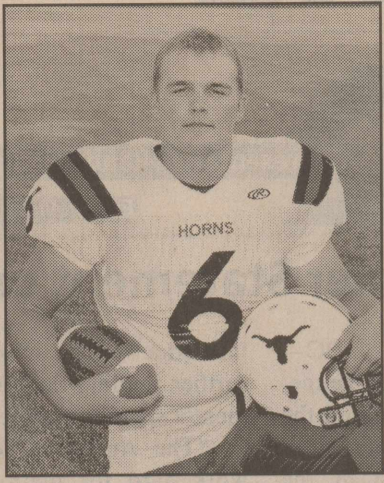
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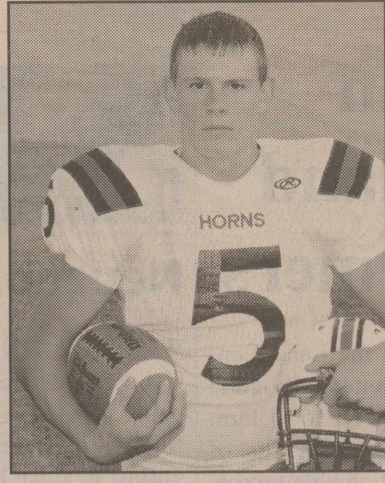
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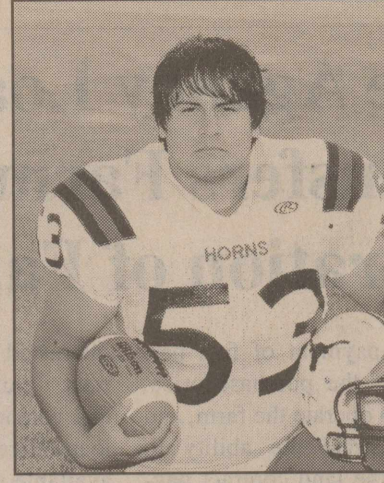
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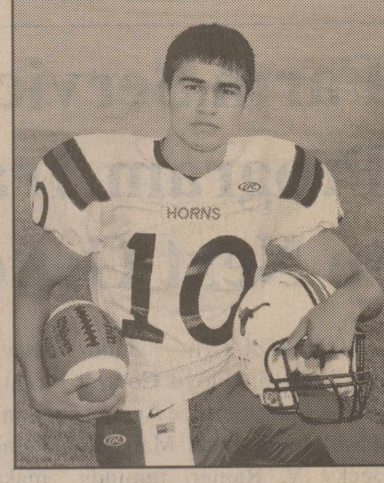
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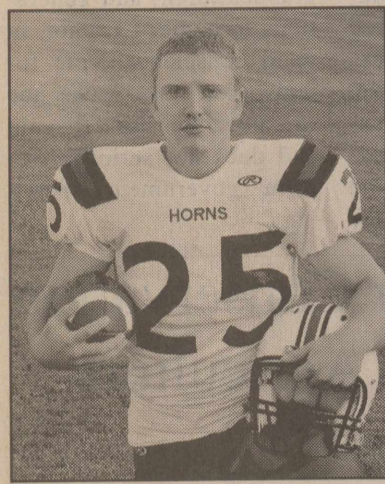
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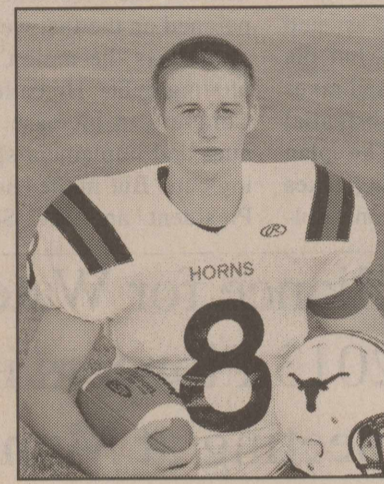
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SECOND TEAM
TEXAS HIGH SCHOOL
COACHES ASSOCIATION
CLASS A ACADEMIC
ALL-STATE FOOTBALL
TEAM



MAISON RAGLAND
HONORABLE MENTION
TEXAS HIGH SCHOOL
COACHES ASSOCIATION
CLASS A ACADEMIC
ALL-STATE FOOTBALL
TEAM

Lockney Lady Horns capture championship trophy at Jayton Tournament

By Coach Shumacher

The Lockney Lady Horns captured the championship trophy in the Jayton Tournament while having Tanae Ramos named MVP of the tournament. Game stats and scoring are as follows:

FIRST ROUND OF TOURNAMENT: Lockney won 41-38 over Haskell.

Lockney score by quarter
14 5 11 11 F41

Haskell score by quarter
10 9 13 6 F38

Leading scorers for Lockney: Ramos with 17 points.

SECOND ROUND OF TOURNAMENT: Lockney defeated Australia (yes from the country of) 48-37.

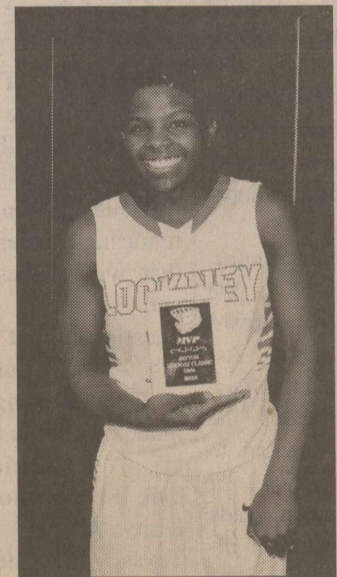
Lockney score by quarter
10 17 12 7 F48

Australia by quarter
7 8 9 13 F37

CHAMPIONSHIP GAME: Lockney defeated Valley 40-39.

Lockney by quarter
1 13 12 14 F40

Valley by quarter
8 10 9 10 F39



TANAЕ RAMOS
JAYTON TOURNAMENT
MVP



Photos by R. K. Hunt Photography

The Lockney Lady Horns brought home the championship trophy from the Jayton Tournament. They beat Haskell in the first round, Australia in the second round and Valley in the championship round to capture the trophy.

Lockney School Menu January 14-18

Monday

Breakfast: Breakfast pizza or cereal, toast, juice, milk

Lunch: Beef and cheese chalupas, garden salad, refried beans, applesauce, milk

Tuesday

Breakfast: Eggs or cereal, toast, juice, milk

Lunch: Country fried steak, potatoes & gravy, green beans, strawberry cup, roll, milk

Wednesday

Breakfast: Blueberry muffin or cereal, toast, juice, milk

Lunch: Chicken fajitas, charro beans, seasoned corn, orange smiles, milk

Thursday

Breakfast: Mini corn dogs or cereal, toast, juice, milk

Lunch: Chicken spaghetti, garden salad, apple slices, baby carrots, breadstick, milk

Friday

Breakfast: Cinnamon roll or cereal, toast, juice, milk

Lunch: Fish strips, corn tortilla, sweet potato, fries, coleslaw, peaches, milk

Wayland Baptist basketball teams to host Lockney Day

By Summer Morgan

The Wayland Baptist University men's and women's basketball teams are hosting Lockney Day at their Sooner Athletic Conference matchups against Oklahoma City University this Saturday afternoon. All Lockney residents are invited to attend the doubleheader at a discounted rate, with \$2 admission for adults and \$1 for students/children.

In addition, Lockney High head girls basketball coach Lisa Schumacher and her team will be recognized at halftime of the Flying Queens game, while head coach Josh Strickland and the boys' team will be announced at the Pioneers contest.

The Wayland women will tip off at 1 p.m., followed by the men at 3 p.m. Both teams are having successful seasons, with

the Flying Queens having won three of their last four games and the Pioneers besting their opponents in the last four out of five contests.

Pioneers head coach Matt Garnett said everyone in the Wayland basketball program is thrilled to host the Lockney basketball teams and members of the community.

"We're excited to have the community of Lockney as our guests at the games on Saturday," he said. "It will be great to have local support in our gym and we look forward to an exciting afternoon of basketball."

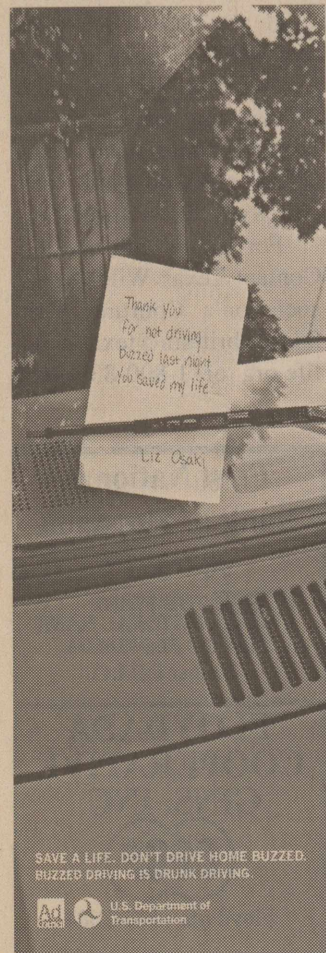
Games will be held at Wayland's Hutcherson Center, located at Seventh and Vernon streets. Parking is available in the lot in front of the gym.

Lockney and Floydada JV teams play tight game

By Coach Jeff Dunn

Javier Guerro-----3 pts
Mauricio Davila----11 pts
Eli Guerra-----1 pt
Derek Patel-----4 pts
Wil Prayor-----2 pts
Colton Verdine----2 pts
Tevin Phillips-----10 pts
Ruben Ascencio---16 pts
Final score was 52-50, Floydada.

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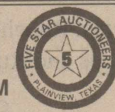
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Farm Service Agency Loan Program Transfers Farmland to Next Generation of Farmers

(FLOYDADA/TX), January 7, 2013 –Floyd County USDA Farm Service Agency (FSA) Farm Loan Manager Becky V. Rainer, reminds landowners that the Land Contract Guarantee Program is available to landowners who wish to transfer farm real estate to the next generation of farmers and ranchers.

The Land Contract Guarantee Program provides a new approach for landowners willing to sell their land to beginning or socially disadvantaged farmers or ranchers because it reduces the seller's financial risk if the buyer defaults on the contract payments. The buyer must provide a minimum

down payment of five percent of the purchase price, plan to operate the farm, and demonstrate the ability to make the land contract payments.

The national program offers two options, one that guarantees up to three annual installment payments on the contract and one that guarantees 90% of the unpaid principal of the contract. Guarantees can be used for financing the purchase of a farm with a purchase price up to \$500,000 on a new land contract.

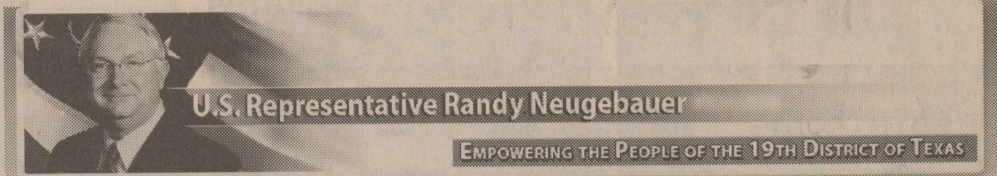
"Landowners can use any escrow agent that meets the program qualifications to service the land contract," said Rainer. "Landowners

interested in the Land Contract Guarantee Program can contact their local farm loan office to obtain a list of available nationwide escrow agents that can be used with this program," she said.

FSA credit programs are designed to provide credit to eligible producers when conventional or commercial credit is not available or does not meet their credit needs.

"FSA programs create opportunities for farmers and ranchers - the backbone of our rural economy," said Rainer.

For more information about the Land Contract Guarantee Program contact the Floyd County FSA Office at 806-983-2430.



Neugebauer Statement on Fiscal Cliff Vote

WASHINGTON, DC—Congressman Randy Neugebauer (TX-19) released the following statement after voting against H.R. 8, the fiscal cliff deal negotiated by the Senate.

"The last few days have been extremely disappointing. I promised my constituents to always vote for what I believe is in the best interest of West Texas and our country, and after carefully reviewing the Senate plan, I decided this legislation did not meet that standard.

"I support smaller government, lower taxes, and a balanced budget, but the Senate plan increased taxes and included no substantial spending cuts. The plan called for increasing taxes by \$41 for every one dol-

lar reduction in spending, further funding the government's spending habit.

"The American people work hard for their money and deserve to keep as much of it as possible. They already pay a substantial amount in taxes. I think it's irresponsible that our government isn't addressing its spending problem, but simply asking Americans for more money.

"What's worse, this plan increases our \$16.4 trillion national debt by nearly \$4 trillion. The President campaigned on the fact we need to address the nation's exploding debt. He called on Congress to increase revenues and implement spending cuts. But in the end, the President and the Senate

put together a bill that will push America further down the path to bankruptcy.

"Washington continues to prove it cannot make the difficult decisions required to cut spending. This week, our country hit our statutory debt limit yet again. I don't know of a clearer signal that we need to cut spending.

"The President's policy of taxing, spending, and borrowing will severely limit the opportunities available to our children, grandchildren, and generations to come. I cannot, in good conscience, vote for legislation that kicks the can down the road yet again and does not seriously reform government spending."

High Plains Irrigation Conference set for Jan. 17 in Amarillo

AMARILLO – The annual High Plains Irrigation Conference and Trade Show hosted by the Texas A&M AgriLife Extension Service will be held Jan. 17 in the Regency Room of the Amarillo Civic Center, 401 S. Buchanan St., Amarillo.

The program, hosted by AgriLife Extension and the Texas Agricultural Irrigation Association, addresses a wide variety of topics, said Nich Kenny, AgriLife Extension irrigation specialist. The registration fee will be \$30, payable at the door only, and includes lunch.

"We have made some large advances recently in irrigation management," Kenny said.

"Now producers are looking for the next steps to fine-tune their water-use efficiency. This program will feature many speakers who will introduce or expand upon some cutting-edge ideas."

Topics of this year's conference will be: natural gas generation unit; variable frequency drives; irrigation management tools; highly efficient natural gas engines; non-traditional influences such as insects, fungicides and fertilizers on crop water use; tillage and residue management; efficient irrigation systems and soil conditioners.

Five Irrigation Association certified irrigation designer and six certified crop advisor

continuing education units – five soil and water and one crop management – will be offered for conference attendees, he said.

The trade show will include about 30 booths from the irrigation industry, area groundwater districts and educational institutions, Kenny said.

For more conference information or to register for the trade show, go to the Texas Agricultural Irrigation Association website, <http://taia.org/>. Questions about the program can be directed to Kenny at 806-677-5600 or npkenny@ag.tamu.edu. Trade show questions should be directed to Kern Stutler at 806-786-5644.

Texas Alliance for Water Conservation to hold 2013 Pioneers in Agriculture Winter meeting at Muncy

LUBBOCK, TX – The Texas Alliance for Water Conservation (TAWC) will host its annual Pioneers in Agriculture Winter Meeting featuring expert speakers that will address concerns and answer producers' questions about the upcoming 2013 growing season.

This meeting will take place on Thursday, January 17 beginning at 8:00 a.m. at the Floyd County Unity Center in Muncy, Texas. The meeting will conclude around 2:00 p.m. and lunch will be provided.

"This field day is a great opportunity to hear about the latest irrigation and genetic research, learn of new energy and water saving technologies and hear

first-hand from producers, commodity groups and research leaders about the future directions for agriculture and water management," said Rick Kellison, project director for TAWC.

As part of the Pioneers in Agriculture Winter Meeting, topics to be discussed include crop production alternatives, commodity genetic updates, 2013 production budgets, TAWC online tools, and herbicide options when dealing with resistance. Attendees will also get to hear a message from the program's keynote speaker, Tom Sell with Combest, Sell and Associates, as well as participate in a discussion with local TAWC producers addressing adaption

to irrigation availability. The Texas Alliance for Water Conservation is a unique partnership of Floyd and Hale county producers, data collection technologies, and collaborating partners that include: individual industries, universities, and government agencies. The TAWC project was made possible through a grant from the Texas Water Development Board.

For more information and a final schedule for the field day, please visit the official Web site of the project: <http://www.depts.ttu.edu/tawc>. No RSVP is required, however if you wish to do so, please call Samantha Borgstedt at (806) 789-4177.

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The next webinar, "Managing for Wildlife as Your Primary Agricultural Use – An Overview of the Wildlife Tax Valuation", will be held on Thursday, January 17th, 2013. This month's expert presenter will be Linda S. Campbell, Program Director, Private Lands and Public Hunting, Texas Parks and Wildlife Department. The webinar will provide an overview of what landowners need to do to take advantage of this tax valuation on the lands they manage including guidelines to qualifications of agricultural land used for wildlife manage-

ment, wildlife management activities, wildlife management plans, and more!

How to sign on: On the day of the webinar, simply point your browser to <https://texas-wildlife.webex.com> and click to join the Wildlife for Lunch webinar. (Please note: WebEx webinars are not supported on handheld devices such as iPads or iPhones.) Each web based seminar is fully interactive and allows you to engage the experts, make comments, and ask questions during the course of the presentation.

If you cannot make the live webinar: Each webinar is archived and available for viewing following the initial air date at the Texas Wildlife Association website: www.texas-wildlife.org

For more information: Contact Texas Wildlife Association's Courtney Brittain at cbrittain@texas-wildlife.org or 1-800-839-9453

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FROM THE ARCHIVES OF THE FLOYD COUNTY MUSEUM

FLOYD COUNTY TRIVIA ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS YOU NEVER HAD

May 23, 1996
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By Jim Reynolds

Can you identify the man for whom Floyd County was named?

Research reveals this county was named for Dolphin Floyd, one of the Texas Soldiers who went from Gonzales to San Antonio, and who died an Alamo martyr. Here are some other county facts:

*Under the Texas School Land Act of 1874, settlers were permitted to hold four sections of land classified as agriculture, or they could hold eight sections if classified as grazing land. Since it was easy to prove on the testimony of solid citizens that land on the high Llano Estacado would not produce any staple crop, and since this part of the state was still on the map at that time as the Great American Desert, cattlemen and ranchers had no difficulty at all in buying all the land they wanted for one dollar an acre.

*Homestead land was available in various parts of the county. Small nesters or settlers could claim this land by proving they owned no other land and by living on the land for three years. The head of a family could obtain 160 acres; a single man could claim 80 acres. By 1892, all homestead land in this county had been taken up.

*A booklet sent out by Tom P. Steen and Company in the early 1900's proclaimed "Floyd County has more fanners than any other county of the Middle Plains." His advertisement listed a variety of fruits, vegetables and grains that could be produced in this county, but no mention was made of cotton.

For the most part, this county was settled by "nesters," small farmers and cattlemen, rather than large ranch owners.

*Floyd County was created in August 1876 out of Young and Bexar county territories. It is the most eastern of the Llano Estacado counties, or the Central Plains. The county consists of 996 square miles, being 30 miles wide from east to west and 35 miles long from north to south.

*Initially, this county was under the jurisdiction of Jack County, but in 1881 Floyd County was incorporated into the Donley County Land District. Any settler who wished to file a claim

in this county was forced to travel to Clarendon, the Donley County Seat. This was difficult since there were no roads of any nature.

*In 1886, this county was attached to Crosby County for land and judicial purposes. This allowed for greater ease in filing claims.

When this county was organized in 1890, the U.S. Census indicated a population of 529 persons. Only three residents were indicated in the 1880 census.

*Della Plain made repeated efforts to get the county organized after its founding in 1887. Confident that only an election was needed to organize Floyd County and have Della Plain declared the county seat, vigorous efforts were made to secure 150 names of legal voters on a petition to be presented to the Crosby County Commissioners Court to call the election. At that time, women were not eligible voters.

Claims of fraud were made by both Della Plain and Floydada. The former town was accused of having included the names of transients and even names of dogs and donkeys bearing the surnames of their owners to complete the petition list bearing 150 names which was presented to the Crosby County Commissioners during the group's meeting of April 14, 1890, at Estacado, the Crosby County seat.

The Crosby governing body unanimously approved the election to organize Floyd County and created four election precincts: Precinct No. 1, Lockney, J. F. Lockney, presiding judge; Precinct No. 2, Della Plain, John Ewing, presiding judge; Precinct No. 3, the Arthur B. Duncan dugout in Blanco Canyon, J. T. Thomas presiding; and Precinct No. 4, the dugout of W.A. Merrill on Running Water Draw in Sand Hill Community, W.A. Merrill, presiding officer.

INITIAL OFFICIALS ELECTED

*Election results were a bitter blow to Delia Plain. Floydada was chosen as the county seat, as the claims of voting irregularities became even more bitter.

Floyd County was officially organized on May 28, 1890, with the following officers elected:

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John C. Hendrix, county attorney

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Dan Jenkins, sheriff and tax collector

E.E. Keeley, county treasurer

L.C. Darby, tax assessor

W. M. Massie, county surveyor

C. F. Ramsey, T.B. Michael, W.R. Vanderveer and B. P. Merrell, commissioners.

*Several small town sprang up along the railroads during the early 1920s. Among these were Dougherty, South Plains, Sterley, Barwise and others.

*Floydada which was begun when the county was organized, and Lockney continued as the two largest town. Lockney was started in the summer of 1889 on homestead land about seven miles north and west of Delia Plain. In 1894, J. A. Baker gave land for a new townsite and school, which was about a mile west of the Old Lockney.

*Della Plain began to dwindle after its defeat as the county seat. Floyd County's first town was settled in 1886 when cattle were shipped there for grazing. Delia Plain was within one mile of the exact center of Floyd County. Pioneers said this townsite was "30 miles to water, 50 miles to wood and six miles to Hell."

*Another small town now delegated to the past was Mayshaw. It was named for the wife of A. J. Shaw of Gatesburg, Illinois, who headed the town's organization. However, Mr. and Mrs. Shaw never lived in Floyd County.

NOTICE OF SCHEDULED ENTRY INTO FIELDS

Pursuant to Tex. Agric. Code, Sec. 74.117, cotton producers in the Northern High Plains Boll Weevil Eradication Zone, which consists of all of Hale and Swisher counties and portions of Randall, Armstrong, Briscoe, and Floyd counties are hereby notified that Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation personnel will be conducting eradication activities in and around their fields, beginning **January 16, 2013**. All cotton fields will be mapped, and treatment will begin during the cotton-growing season. For notification prior to any chemical treatment, call 1-800-687-1212 with the exact location of your field and appropriate telephone numbers. Field entry and treatment is expected to last until all cotton is harvested in the zone. For more information regarding this program, please call the Texas Boll Weevil Eradication Foundation at 1-800-687-1212.

NOTICE TO CREDITORS

Notice is hereby given that original Letters Testamentary for the Estate of Charles M. Carr, Deceased, were issued on the 27th day of December, 2012, in Docket No. 5936, pending in the Court of Floyd County, Texas, to: Patrick David Carr.

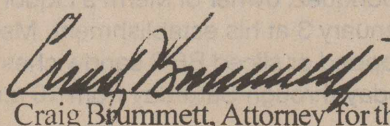
The residence of the Independent Executor is in Los Alamos, New Mexico and the post address is:

Patrick David Carr
1502 44th St.
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All persons having claims against this Estate, which is currently being administered, are required to present them to the above named Independent Executor of the Estate of Charles M. Carr within the time and in the manner prescribed by law.

Dated the 27th day of December, 2012.

PATRICK DAVID CARR
Independent Executor


Craig Brummett, Attorney for the Estate

Home Country

By Slim Randles

When it's cold, build a fire in the fireplace, or the wood burning heater, or maybe just light a candle and look in the flames, look deep in the flames for the answers.

I've always believed they are there, and this time of year is a time for questions. It is a time to weigh the events of the past year and toss them around and ask why.

It has been a good year for each of us in some respects, and a bad year in others. Just like every year.

A few of our young people died this year. Others were born. Some precious old-timers left us, too, but at least they'd had the chance to hang and rattle and turn gray. It was the young ones that make us ask the tough questions.

But there were also the beautiful things that hap-

pened this last year. People went out of their way to help others. People tried valiantly to better themselves. Some did it by studying a foreign language. Some did it by taking wood shop at the community college. Dud practiced hard all year and it worked. His accordion playing sounds much better.

The old Miller dairy got pulled down. Many of us were worried about kids playing in there and getting hurt. It really wasn't safe any more. And while we'll miss seeing it out there, with that big tobacco ad painted on its roof, we'd miss having those kids around even more. You make decisions and hope for the best.

There were some new homes built this year, and Steve has started adding on to his cabin up in the mountains not too far from Jasper Blankenship's mining claim. Steve just needed a hole-up

spot. A place where a cowboy can go and no one can kick him out.

And so our world says goodbye to another year and we'll hope the next one is better, and it probably will be. Life brings the good and the bad together at this time of year and helps us wash our lives with a laugh and a tear and a dollop of forgiveness.

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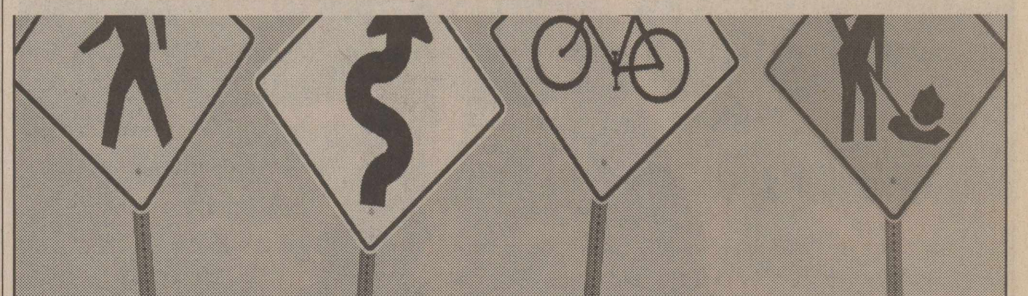
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